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Motoji OOMORI et al. ) Group Art Unit: 2131  
Application No.: 09/652,157 ) Examiner: Unknown  
Filed: August 31, 2000 )  
For: EXTENDED KEY GENERATOR, )  
ENCRYPTION/DECRYPTION )  
UNIT, EXTENDED KEY )  
GENERATION METHOD, AND )  
STORAGE MEDIUM )

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97, Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO form 1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced application.

Copies of the listed documents are attached.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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An English language version of a search report from the European Patent Office in a corresponding application citing these documents and setting forth the relevance thereof is also enclosed.

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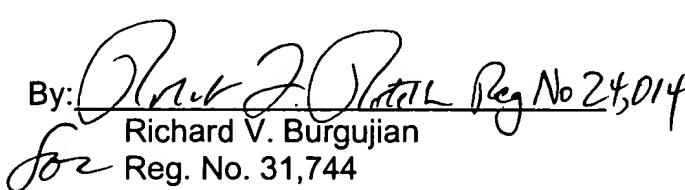
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